

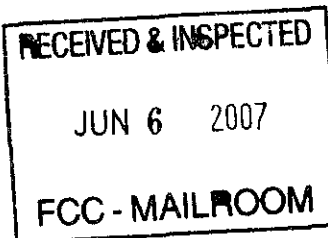
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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
9300 East Hampton Drive
Capitol Heights, MD 20743

*Petition for Waiver
CC Docket No. 96-45*

RE: Advanced Communications Technology, Inc (SAC 519004) – Form 525 Filing Appeal

Dear Secretary:

I am writing in regards to our submission of the Interstate Access Support and High Cost Model Support for Advanced Communications Technology, Inc. (ACT) Study Area Code 519004. We filed Form 525 on behalf of ACT on January 3, 2006.

I sent ACT's Form 525 by email to USAC prior to the deadline. However, after returning from the holidays on January 3, 2006 I looked for a read receipt that USAC had received it. When I did not find a read receipt, I looked in my sent mail and to my horror discovered that the message that I thought I sent did not get sent. I do not know if it was a computer error, address error, or if we were having Internet network problems. I immediately resent the filing and notified USAC.

At that time, I discussed our filing problems with Corina Graham and Fedor Potigo with the High Cost Division of USAC. They shared with me that we would need to file an appeal with USAC or the FCC in order for ACT to receive the Interstate Access Support and High Cost Model Support for this 525 filing. They indicated that while we can write directly to the FCC, they encouraged me to write first to USAC so that they have the opportunity to resolve the appeal and grant it, if appropriate. Based on the information provided to us by USAC, we did file the appeal directly with USAC on January 6, 2006 in hopes of a speedy resolution.

I tried on numerous occasions over several months to receive updates from USAC on the appeal that we filed. I tried through both email to High Cost Filings and direct phone calls with Mike Spead, Manager of the High Cost Group, with no success. I did receive one update in July 2006 from Mike Spead. He told me that the appeal decision letter had been written and was waiting for the Appeals Committee approval. We again waited several months for an update despite numerous requests for a status update. We expected to receive a letter with the Appeals Committee with their action on the appeal. However, recently I spoke to Mike and he has now indicated to me that appeals due to missed filing deadlines need to be filed directly with the FCC. We now see that this issue has been clarified on the USAC website also. This appears to be a procedure clarification that was changed during our year long appeal process and different than the advice given to us directly from USAC in January 2006. Therefore, we are now appealing this matter directly to the Commission.

While we understand that the filing was filed one business day after the due date, the filing was not sent late on purpose and was sent immediately after the error was discovered. Therefore, we

hereby ask that you accept the filing for the above reasons and would appreciate your consideration in approving the filing as filed. Per the instructions posted on the USAC website, we need to reference CC Docket No. 96-45 and necessary contact information.

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Thank you in advance for your consideration in this matter and we apologize for the inconvenience and additional work this request creates.

Sincerely,



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